

Phone Tapping Revelations Bring Prison

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KARLSRUHE, West Germany, Nov. 8.—A former West German counter-espionage agent received a four-month suspended sentence today for disclosing details of the German telephone tapping system.

Werner Paetsch, 38, was found guilty of revealing in 1963 details of the methods of organization of West Germany's office for the protection of the constitution.

The West German Supreme Court thus ended a major political controversy of two years ago over Paetsch's revelations. During the "telephone affair," the Interior Ministry was accused of unconstitutional action. But the Ministry said telephones were only tapped on the instructions of the allies who have the retained right to tape telephones as a military security measure.